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SUBJ: SADAT ENVOY VISITS INDIA

REF: COLOMBO 1290

1. EGYPTIAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

DR. BUTRUS GHALY VISITED INDIA MARCH 18-20 CARRYING A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SADAT TO PRIME MINISTER DESAI. HE ALSO MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER VAJPAYEE AND OTHER SENIOR MEA OFFICIALS. EGYPTIAN DCM YOUSSEFI TOLD POL COUNSELOR THAT GHALY CAME TO INFORM THE INDIANS ABOUT THE STATE OF PLAY OF THE SADAT INITIATIVE AND, MORE SIGNIFICANTLY, TO LET THE GOI KNOW THAT EGYPT SANCTED IT TO FEEL THAT IT WAS BEING KEPT SPECIALLY INFORMED AS A LEADING MEMBER OF THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP. YOUSSEFI STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE CAIRO ATTACHES TO THE NAM LEADERSHIP, NOTING THAT GHALY HAD VISITED

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YUGOSLAVIA SEVERAL MONTHS BACK AND HAD GONE ON FROM HERE TO COLOMBO.

2. YOUSSEFI SAID THAT THE GOI FOLLOWED ITS CUSTOMARY LINE OF NEUTRALITY BETWEEN CONTENDING ARAB POINTS OF VIEW. GHALY DID NOT ASK FOR GOI SUPPORT AND, AS EXPECTED, GOI DID NOT OFFER IT. THE INDIANS HINTED

THEY MIGHT BE WILLING TO HELP BRING THE ARAB SIDES
CLOSER TOGETHER, A ROLE GHALY DID NOT ENCOURAGE.
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